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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please Form
PTO/SB/08A, listing documents cited an Office Action issued in corresponding
European Patent Application No. 03015686.3, and copies of the documents cited therein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application, but prior to a Final Office Action or issuance of a Notice of Allowance, or issuance of any other action closing prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, the fee of \$180.00 is enclosed herewith.

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To the extent that the enclosed reference, EP 0793 113 A1, is not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the listing of its English language U.S. equivalent, U.S. Patent No. 5,977,769.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with the present submission of the enclosed documents. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed documents, during examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage or excess in fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, and for which no other form of payment is offered, be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 Case: 520.42912X00).

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